



Virginia Dental Association

PROPOSAL FOR VDH DENTAL CARE TRANSITION
FROM A TREATMENT/PREVENTION MODEL TO
A PREVENTION MODEL

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BACKGROUND – 2012 GA SESSION

- Biennial Budget originally recommended by Governor McDonnell would have eliminated funding for local VDH dental clinics.
- The budget ultimately adopted by the General Assembly and approved by the Governor restored most of the funding for these local dental clinics for the first year of the biennium only.
 - \$7,036,703 Allocated for 2013
 - Cut Total of \$1,664,306 for 2014 -- \$5,372,397 Allocated for 2014
- The budget further contained language directing VDH to appoint an advisory panel to “facilitate the transition of the department’s current dental prevention/treatment model to a prevention only model.”

BACKGROUND – SCOPE OF PROGRAM

VDH Dental Program Summary 2011	
FY 2011- Individual patients seen	20,350
Children seen (0-20- 72% of patients seen)	14,713
Adults seen (21+ 28% of patients seen)	5,637
Medicaid population served	9,899

VIRGINIA'S MEDICAID – SMILES FOR CHILDREN

- *Smiles for Children* – **SOLID RESULTS:**
 - Substantial Program Growth
 - Basic oral health care is essential for youngsters at this critical point in their lives.

DMAS - Smiles for Children Program -- RESULTS			
Child Participation		Dentist Participation	
2005	2011	2005	2011
29%	55%	30%	82%
<i>Nearly Doubled</i>		<i>Almost Tripled</i>	

VDH STUDY-OVERVIEW

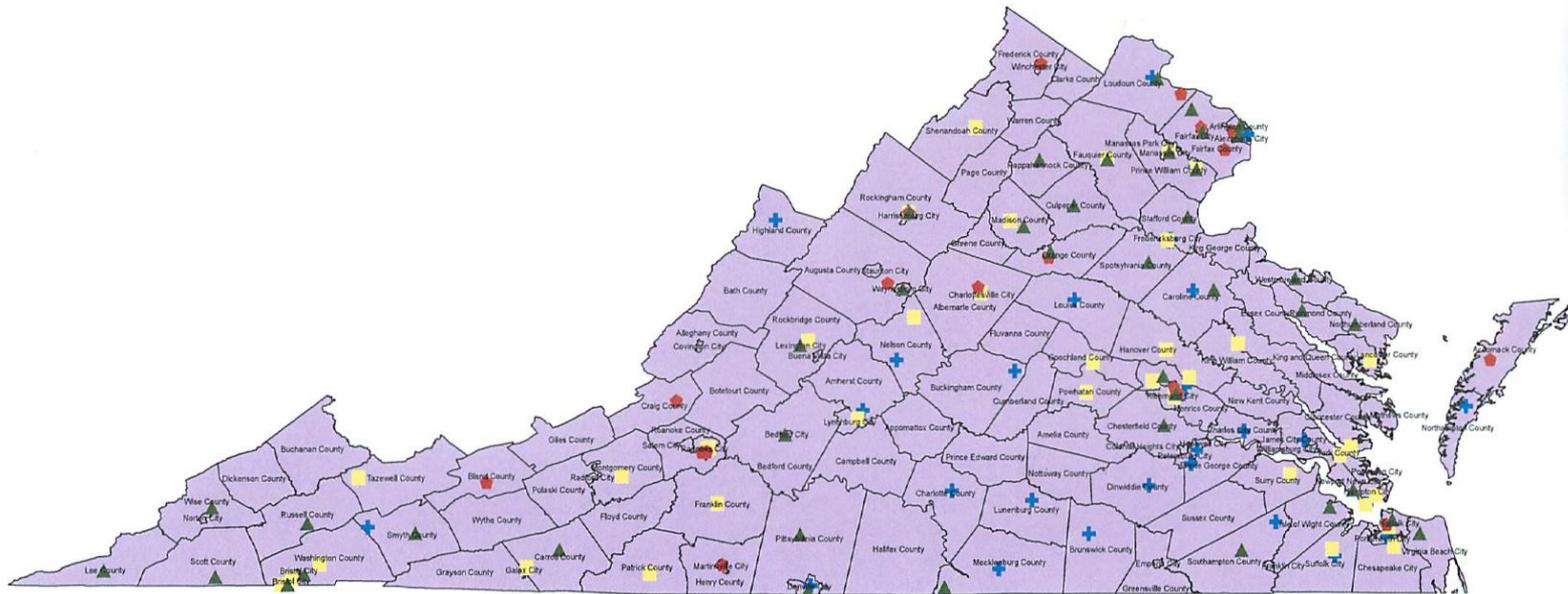
It is important to note that VDH and VDA have the same goal – a more efficient, preventative focused public dental health model. We just believe more time and thought is needed to get there.

THE VDA ALTERNATIVE PROPOSAL

The funding for the VDH program in its current form should **not be eliminated on June 30, 2013.**

- We believe that in addition to making other strategic choices in striving for efficiency, those areas where the most severe dental problems exist combined with a history of stronger than average performance should be reviewed. Those areas primarily track where there are higher risk factors including a concentration of diabetic populations and a high concentration of student lunch populations.

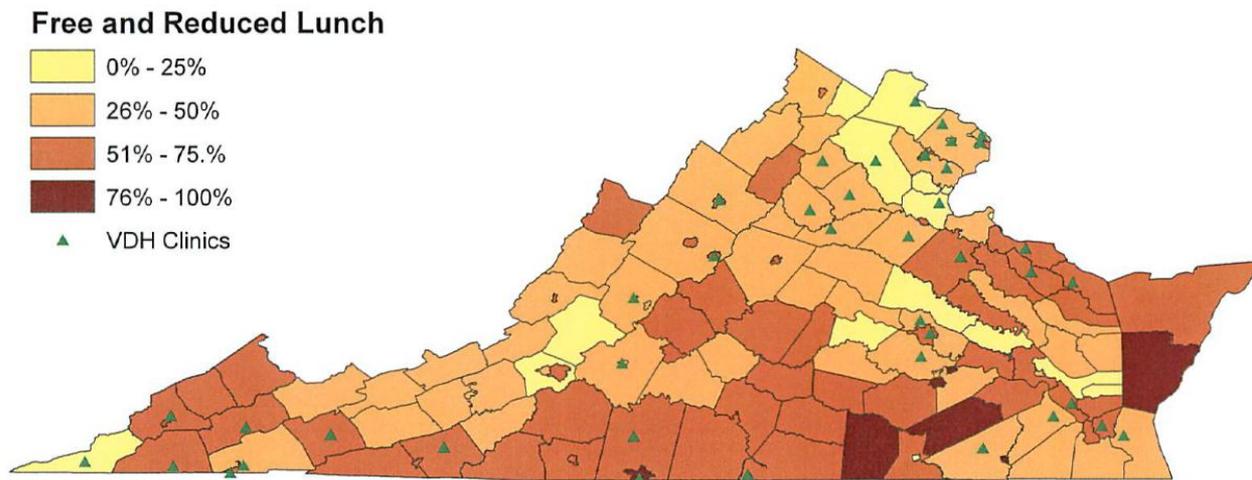
Dental Safety Net Providers 2012, by Provider Type



Dental Safety Net Provider Types

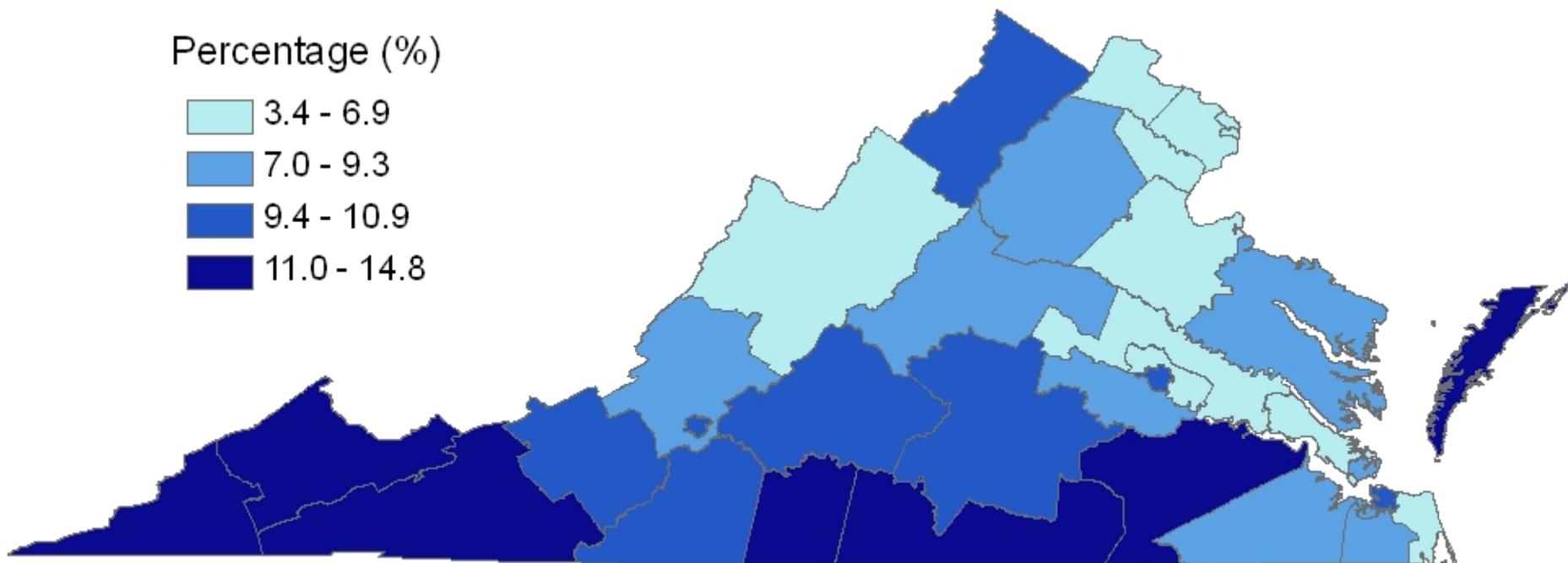
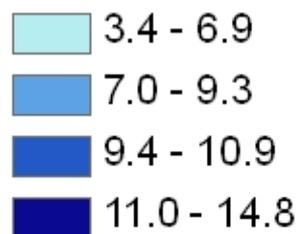
- ▲ VDH Dental Clinics
- Free Dental Clinic
- ◆ Other Dental Service Provider
- + Community Dental Clinic

Percent of Students Eligible for Free and Reduced Lunch



Prevalence of diabetes among adults by health district Virginia, 2005-2009

Percentage (%)



Source: Virginia Department of Health, Office of Family Health Services, Virginia Behavioral Risk Factor Surveillance System. Based on 2005-2009 data combined. Refers to adults who report ever being told by a health care professional that they have diabetes (excludes gestational diabetes and pre-diabetes). Classification is by quartile.

SUMMARY OF THE PLAN

SAME GOAL: a more efficient, preventative focused public dental health model...